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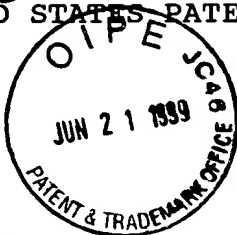
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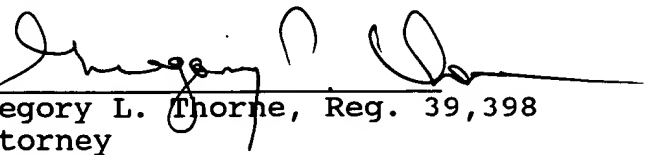
LETTER

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR 1.56, Applicants call to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office a Search Report issued abroad in reference to a corresponding foreign application. A copy of the Search Report dated May 17, 1999 is attached.

The enclosed document is being called to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office solely to comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR 1.56 and is not intended to be construed as an admission by the Applicants that any of the documents listed is material.

Respectfully submitted,

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Encl. Search Report

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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Applicant's or agent's file reference PHN 16.580W0	FOR FURTHER ACTION see Notification of Transmittal of International Search Report (Form PCT/ISA.220) as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.	
International application No. PCT/IB 98/01569	International filing date (day/month/year) 8 October 1998	(Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 28 October 1997
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This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of 3 sheets.

☒ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

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Figure No. 2 ☒ as suggested by the applicant. ☐ None of the figures.
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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC6: G09G 5/06, H04N 7/26, H04N 11/02

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC6: G09G, H04N

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

SE,DK,FI,NO classes as above

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	US 4580134 A (GRAHAM M. CAMPBELL ET AL), 1 April 1986 (01.04.86), column 4, line 13 - line 68, abstract --	1-12
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☒ Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.
 ☒ See patent family annex.

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